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Ms. Valerie Knepper
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Metropolitan Transportation Commission
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Dear Ms. Knepper:

Thank you for this opportunity to apply as a case study for MTC's Study of Parking Policies to Support Smart Growth. As you are aware, Union City has a vision of redeveloping the vacant and underutilized lands around our BART station with high-density, transit-oriented development.

The City has been proactive by updating its General Plan and zoning ordinance to accommodate this new and intensive land use, and we expect over 1,000 new residential units to be constructed within one-half mile of BART over the coming years. We also have reserved land for office and retail uses to ensure this is a truly mixed-use development. We welcome an opportunity for you to study our community and future plans for a new downtown as a case study in your Parking Policies to Support Smart Growth analysis.

Please feel free to call Joan Malloy at (510) 675-5327 if you have any questions or require additional information. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely

Larry Cheeves
City Manager